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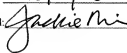
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Further, in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 (c) and 1.97(e)(1), the undersigned certifies that the references listed on the enclosed PTO/SB/08a were first cited in an Supplementary European Search Report dated April 10, 2008, for the corresponding European application EP 05 71 2856.3 - 1222. A copy of the Supplementary European Search Report and copies of the foreign and non-patent literature documents cited are enclosed.

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